## MINUTES FOR MVAC

## **April 25, 2001**

- The meeting scheduled for April 11<sup>th</sup> was cancelled due to a major spring snowstorm and rescheduled for April 25<sup>th</sup>. Kudo's to Owen Dean, CDOT who managed to make it on the 11<sup>th</sup> only to find the SFM offices without power.
- The meeting started at 9:00 am.
- The previous demo of the Toyota Prius was well accepted generating two additional orders. SFM will try to do more "ride and drives" for new vehicles.
- SFM worked up a summary sheet of projected FY2002 variable rates from a department summary perspective. Individual body code rates were sent under separate cover April 30<sup>th</sup>. Rates were based upon 12 months of previous activity ending March 2001. Fuel is being increased by 30% to hopefully cover the anticipated large increases in price projected to jump to over \$2.00 per gallon. Maintenance is also increasing 10% due to fuel prices (passed on in the form of higher parts prices) and higher miles on vehicles as a result of fewer replacements. In addition, the accident rate is increasing from \$.009/mile to \$.01/mile due to higher repair costs and an increase in vehicle "totals." The vehicle total is also a condition of newer vehicles protecting the occupant better at the expense of the vehicle.
- SFM will be working on projected management fee rates and will get those out shortly.
- Few comments were received regarding the Vehicle Coordinators Handbook. Fleet will try to get a final version out in May although this will always be a changing document as issues change.
- The MVAC also had a brief discussion on how it could build better communications regarding replacement vehicle needs. We need to work together and when information becomes known such as JBC approvals or denials, to make sure that both SFM and the agency are aware.
- Michael Maestas has replaced Gabe Salcido at Fleet in the Used Vehicle Coordinator position.
- SFM asked the MVAC to help set the agenda for the next meeting. As a result, the issues identified highlighted what agencies could expect from SFM and vehicle issues such as used reliable vehicles and associated communications. (SFM will be conducting a strategy planning meeting at the next scheduled May 9<sup>th</sup> MVAC).
- GM has been sending out settlement vouchers for older GM pickups with defective fuel tanks. SFM is collecting these vouchers and is intending to use them on the purchase of new vehicles.
- Not mentioned but important: Please make sure that all of this fiscal year's reimbursable expenses are received at SFM by close of May billing period. This will allow the Call Center to approve expenses and alleviate the chaos surrounding the accelerated year end close timeframe in June.
- The next meeting was decided to be May 9<sup>th</sup> following the normal MVAC schedule of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of each month.